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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition is good. It is fundamental to true capitalism. Obviously, limiting competition by empowering monopolies is bad for small consumers. I am a small consumer and I choose an independent internet provider, even though I live in a metropolitan area, because monopolies have shown in the past that, with no competition, there is no incentive to provide services at reasonable cost. I depend on reasonable internet costs.

I oppose US Telecom's petition.

Thank you!

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